

Record number of degrees awarded at commencement

Three hundred sixty students were awarded graduate and undergraduate degrees May 8 at Gallaudet University's 123rd commencement, the largest number of degrees ever awarded at a single commencement exercise at Gallaudet.

Although the day was damp and chilly, the graduates and their families were in high spirits, with handshakes and hugs exchanged all around. Many graduates had inscribed thank-you

notes to Mom and Dad, slogans, or their fraternity or sorority insignia on their caps. Some paused to say a few words to friends or family in the audience as they strode across the stage to accept their diplomas from President I. King Jordan.

Two hundred forty-six students received bachelors degrees, and 101 received graduate degrees. The School of Education and Human Services awarded doctor of philo-

sophy degrees to Jean Beckman, Kate Igbokwe, and Lydia Susnick. The College of Arts and Sciences awarded four specialist degrees, and the School of Preparatory Studies awarded 13 associate of applied science degrees.

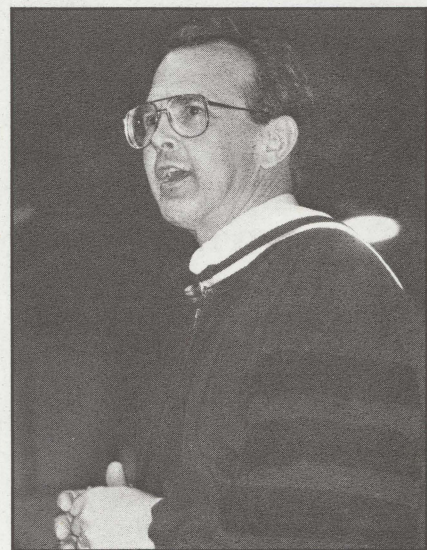
Honorary degrees were presented to the Honorable Steve Gunderson (R-Wisc.), actress Phyllis Frelich, and Japanese educator Dr. Shuichi Obata in recognition of their achievements on behalf of deaf and hard of hearing people. (See story, page 3.)

Professor emeritus status was awarded to Dr. Kurt Beermann, a former history professor who retired last December, Dr. Eugene McVicker, a former professor in the Department of Philosophy and Religion, who retired in 1987, and Dr. Doin Hicks, a former vice president for Institutional Research, Planning, and Evaluation, and special assistant to the president, who retired in 1991.

In remarks to the graduates, Dr. Jordan noted recent occurrences of strife and violence around the world caused by class, racial, and ethnic tension and reminded the graduates of the importance of being able to "discuss our differences, to begin dialogues, to accept the notion that what we so firmly believe may not be the whole truth."

"Gallaudet is striving to become a working model—where individuals who are deaf or hard of hearing or hearing, who come from different cultures and different circumstances, discover their commonality and work together toward mutual goals," Jordan said. "I hope that you will join us in that effort and will take it with you wherever you go."

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Commencement speaker Kenneth Bertaccini.

Graduates have special mission, says Bertaccini

As graduates of a major American university who live in an advanced democratic society, Gallaudet graduates have a "special opportunity and special responsibility to make a difference in this world," Kenneth Bertaccini, president and chief executive officer of AT&T Consumer Products, told the graduating class of 1992 in his commencement speech May 8.

Bertaccini, who serves on the Gallaudet Board of Associates, was responsible for AT&T Consumer Products' establishment of a special needs business unit dedicated to helping meet the communications needs of people with disabilities through state-of-the-art technology. Through a bout with cancer a few years ago, he lost most of his hearing in one ear and has some hearing loss in the other.

"The burdens of the moment, or the normal—or not so normal—burdens of a lifetime tend to get in the way of allowing us to fully appreciate all the good things that we are, or all the good things that we have available to us. At the same time, whenever you step back and take a clear and objective view, you realize very quickly how much there is to appreciate," Bertaccini said.

Bertaccini noted that the graduates have had access to a quality education and will have access to appropriate health care, diet, and technologies that will improve everyone's quality of life.

"If you have all of these things, you have an incredible advantage. You are in a position to live your life in a way much different than all those who went before you, and, in

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Triumphant graduates celebrate their achievement after commencement.

Board ratifies new security policy, approves endowment fund investment

Gallaudet's Board of Trustees announced at its May 8 open meeting on Kendall Green that it had ratified the University administration's decision to disarm campus security officers. The board also approved dividing \$18 million of the University's endowment fund equally among three investment firms.

In supporting the administration's decision to disarm the Department of Safety and Security (DOSS) officers, the board affirmed the University's new emphasis on crime prevention and campus safety rather than on an armed police force. To implement that effort, DOSS has been working closely with District of Columbia's police force, has increased efforts to prevent crime, and is continuing to improve the physical safety of the campus.

The endowment fund is invested but only a portion of the total income is spent. "It has been a great safety net and is providing increasing income along with sustained growth of principal," said Committee on Resources chair Philip Sprinkle. The three investment firms chosen

by the board were Provident Investment Counsel, Steinroe and Farnham, and Dean Investment Associates.

Dr. Sprinkle also reported that the University's endowment has a total market value of \$31 million. Because of significant growth in the fund, the Committee on Resources and the administration worked jointly to search for and select the three investment advisors.

Speaking about the 1993 budget, President I. King Jordan said that the outlook appears favorable for Congress to approve the Bush administration's proposal for the University to receive a 2.3 percent increase in operations for a total of \$74.75 million. In addition, the recommendation calls for \$2.5 million for the Hall Memorial Building construction project and \$1 million for the endowment matching program.

In the area of private funding, Dr. Mervin Garretson, chair of the Committee on Development, said that as of May, \$5.2 million in gift and pledges have been received—repre-

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Physics professor Edward Beasley, the University's senior faculty member, carries the mace at the 123rd commencement ceremony.



Associate professor of counseling Francine White (right), Outstanding Graduate Faculty Member Award recipient, is congratulated after the Graduate Hooding and Awards Ceremony.

Hooding, awards ceremony honors 20 contributors to deaf community

Gallaudet honored 20 of its graduate students, faculty, and other members of the deaf community for their contributions to their fields of study and to deaf people in general at the University's 1992 Graduate Hooding and Awards Ceremony held May 7.

More than 83 of the University's 101 students receiving graduate degrees attended the ceremony, in which they receive the hood that accompanies the standard cap and gown. The color of the hood denotes the discipline in which the degree is earned. The ceremony concluded the Centennial Year of Teacher Education at Gallaudet.

Dean of Graduate Studies and Research Michael Karchmer welcomed the group. Greetings from the University were given by President I. King Jordan, Board of Trustees Chairman Philip Bravin, and Provost Harvey Corson. Powrie V. Doctor Chair Donald Bangs delivered the address.

Among those receiving awards was the first deaf student to receive a graduate degree in interpreting at Gallaudet, Steven Collins. Dr. Njeri Nuru, dean of the School of Communication, presented Collins with the School of Communication Award for the student most likely to create change or to have an impact on his field.

Another first for Gallaudet was Laurie Hooper, the first deaf student to receive a master's in social work from Gallaudet. Hooper also was awarded the Department of Social Work's G. Arlene Gavin Award for her demonstrated personal commitment to professionalism in the field.

The Outstanding Graduate Faculty Member Award, presented by Graduate Studies and Research to a person who has contributed exemplary service to Gallaudet's graduate programs, went to Dr. Francine White, associate professor of counseling.

Dr. Patrick Brice, associate professor of counseling, received the Outstanding Service Award for his leadership as chair of the Graduate Council.

Graduate Studies and Research's Outstanding External Collaborator Awards went to Annette Forsetter, director of Audiology and Speech-Language Pathology for the Maternal and Child Health Clinics of the D.C. Department of Human Services, and to the Marie H. Katzenbach School for the Deaf in West Trenton, N.J., both for their exemplary quality support of Gallaudet graduate programs.



Laurie Hooper, the first deaf person to earn an MSW at Gallaudet, is hooded by Catherine Moses, associate professor of social work.

Three students also received awards from Graduate Studies and Research. Marie Pierce of Australia received the Walter G. Ross Award for her involvement in campus activities and organizations. Laura Baker and Mindi Khinoo received Graduate Student Achievement Awards, and Fulbright Scholar Boris Fridman of Mexico received the Writing Research Award.

From the School of Education and Human Services, Elizabeth Seebeck and Simon Guteng received the Daniel T. Cloud Award for their outstanding scholarship. The Helen Fay Award, given to the student most likely to contribute to the field of teaching deaf and hard of hearing children, went to Jane Sutcliffe. Vicki Hall received the Marjorie Stull Memorial Scholarship and Jane Berger received the William J. Zappetini Scholarship.

The Mima Bravo Award went to Katharine Meadows for her demonstrated aptitude for and commitment to counseling deaf people. Mary Ellen Baxter-Breen received the Founder's Award, which recognizes her as a leader in the counseling profession.

The Seltzer League Award went to Michele Piasecki and Stacy Gallese for their academic and clinical excellence and the expectation that they will broaden people's understanding of hearing and hearing loss.

Rebecca Piepho received the Elizabeth Peet Award for outstanding work in psychology.

Spirits high at 123rd commencement

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Kenneth Bertaccini, chief executive officer of AT&T Consumer Products, gave the commencement address. (See story, page 1.)

Two graduating students, Wilma Newhoudt and Jane Sutcliffe, addressed their classmates.

Newhoudt, who received a B.A. in social work, said she was familiar with oppression, having experienced it as a deaf black woman in Cape Town, South Africa. Family, school, and community helped her overcome oppression and enabled her to earn a degree, she said.

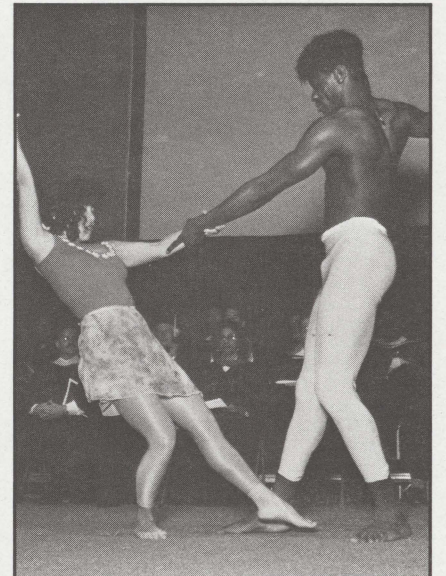
Newhoudt said her father, a pastor and a community activist, taught her that "I have value, that in spite of my deafness and my color, I can speak out about what I believe in and challenge old rules." Newhoudt also recognized her mother, who "raised her five daughters to be independent and caring" and traveled from South Africa to attend the commencement.

The Cape Town deaf community enabled Newhoudt to attend Gallaudet, raising funds that the South African government denied her because of her race. Newhoudt said she will use her new knowledge and skills to work for change in South Africa and challenged her classmates to work for change in their communities.

Sutcliffe, who received an M.A. in education, noted that this year marked the centennial of the teacher education program at Gallaudet. "Imagine the many lives touched by each previous graduate's career and then trace all of the graduates' training here," she said.

"The Gallaudet University teacher education program has impacted the lives of thousands and thousands of deaf students around the world."

Attending as special guests were Dr. Igor Fedorov, president of Moscow State Technical University, Shinichiro Horie, first secretary of the Japanese Embassy, S.A. Shittu, first secretary of the Nigerian Embassy, and Dr. William Castle, vice president for government relations at the Rochester Institute of Technology and director of the National Technical Institute for the Deaf.



Maya Yamada and Warren "Wawa" Snipe of the Gallaudet Dancers perform an interpretation of Irene Cara's "Out Here on My Own."

Gallaudet artist Mona Gold dies

Mona Gold, senior artist in the Department of Publications and Production, died May 9 at Doctors Community Hospital in Lanham, Md. She had been in a coma since suffering a heart attack on April 29.

Gold, 45, had been employed by the University as a graphic artist for 21 years.

During her years of service to the University, Gold worked on a wide range of projects for individuals and departments on campus. She was widely recognized as creative, enthusiastic, and professional in the assignments that she undertook. One of the last projects that Gold completed was the exhibit paying tribute to Gilbert Eastman, who retired this year as professor and acting chair of Theatre Arts.

A memorial service for Gold was

held May 12 at Temple Solel in Bowie, Md. Burial was in Florida.

People wishing to remember Gold can make contributions to the Juvenile Diabetes Foundation, 432 Park Ave. South, New York, NY 10016. Donors should include their names and addresses and the name of the deceased. In addition, donors are asked to note that Wayne Davis, a Gallaudet employee and close friend of Gold, is to receive acknowledgment of the donation.

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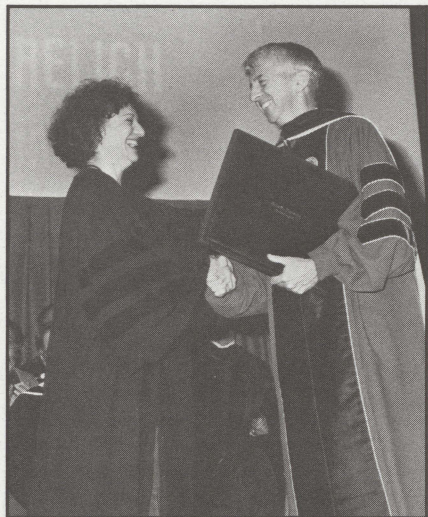
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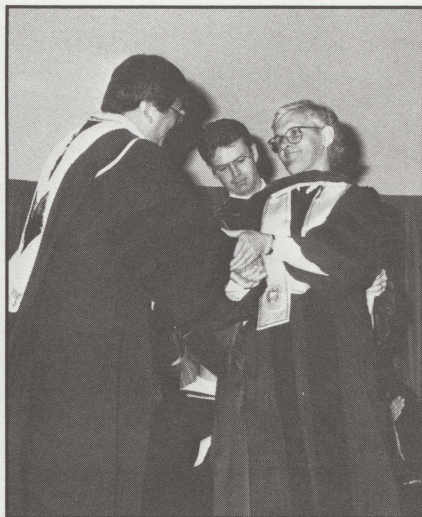


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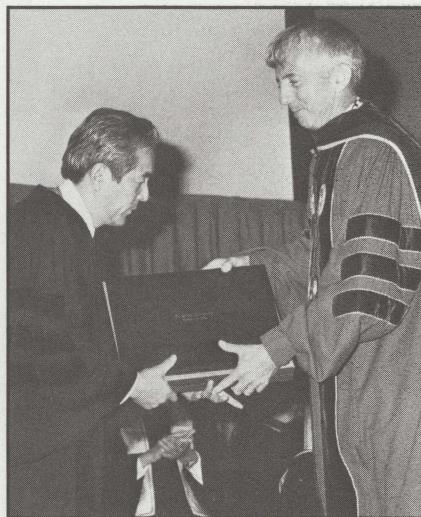
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Actress Phyllis Frelich accepts congratulations from President I. King Jordan as she receives her honorary doctor of fine arts degree.



Board of Trustees member John Yeb (left) and Administration and Business VP Paul Kelly hood the Honorable Steve Gunderson, honorary doctor of laws degree recipient.



Dr. Shuichi Obata of Japan accepts his citation from President I. King Jordan before donning the hood for his honorary doctor of humane letters degree.

Honorary degrees awarded to three outstanding leaders

Gallaudet University presented honorary degrees to three outstanding individuals—Phyllis Frelich, the Honorable Steve Gunderson (R-Wisc.), and Dr. Shuichi Obata—at commencement exercises on May 8.

Frelich, best known for her Tony award-winning portrayal of Sarah in the Broadway production of "Children of a Lesser God," received an honorary doctor of fine arts degree for her success in the world of theater and her commitment on behalf of deaf people. As the eldest of nine deaf brothers and sisters, Frelich grew up in Devils Lake, N.D., attended the state residential school for deaf students, received her bachelor's degree from Gallaudet in 1967, and became a founding member of the National Theatre of the Deaf.

In reading from her honorary citation, Gilbert Eastman, who retired this year as professor and acting chair of Theatre Arts, described Frelich as "an unprecedented pioneer" and noted that she was the first deaf person to be elected to the Board of Directors of the Screen Actors Guild, which represents 55,000 members, 500 of whom have disabilities.

Gunderson, who is a member of Gallaudet's Board of Trustees, received an honorary doctor of laws degree in recognition of his work on the Americans with Disabilities Act and for his efforts to make telephones and televisions more accessible to deaf people.

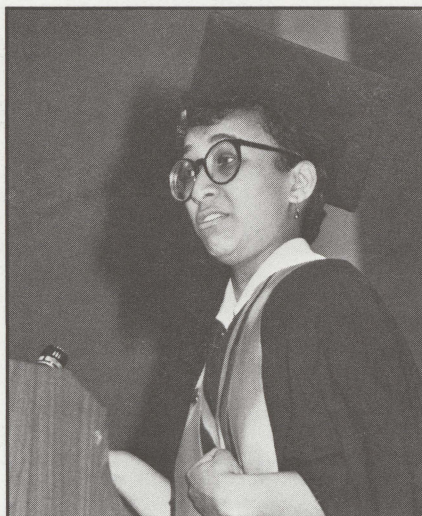
"As a Congressional Trustee, the

Honorable Steve Gunderson gives this University a level of attention and support unparalleled," said Dr. Jack Gannon, special assistant to the president for advocacy, who read from Gunderson's honorary citation. Gannon said Gunderson "is recognized not only by our own community but by the national community for his thoughtful position on and outstanding stewardship of issues that are basic to the lives of every citizen in this country."

The third honorary degree, a doctor of humane letters, went to Dr. Shuichi Obata. Obata was the driving force behind the establishment of the Tsukuba College of Technology—the

first college for deaf and hard of hearing students in Japan—which admitted its first class in 1991. Dr. Yerker Andersson, professor of sociology and president of the World Federation of the Deaf, read the citation honoring Obata, which described him as "A respected teacher and administrator, tireless advocate for deaf professional teachers, and champion of higher educational opportunities for deaf people in Japan."

The citation also noted that Obata helped bring many deaf people into the classroom as fully credentialed teachers at a time when the Japanese system of education was weighted heavily against them.



Addressing their fellow graduates at commencement exercises were (left) Wilma Newboudt, who told about overcoming oppression to earn her degree, and Jane Sutcliffe, who described Gallaudet's teacher education program.



Among Ourselves

The first annual College Bowl, sponsored by the English Department and Student Body Government, was held April 1 at the Northwest Campus. Teams from each dormitory and an off-campus team answered questions on a variety of topics. The Memorial Hall team won. Next year students will compete against teams from the Kendall Green Campus.

Eli Savanick, director of the International Center on Deafness, and Dr. Yerker Andersson, professor of sociology and president of the World Federation of the Deaf, spoke at the pre-conference sessions of the Society for International Development on May 1 in Washington, D.C.

Dr. Njeri Nuru, dean of the School of Communication, was honored for her leadership at the annual convention of the National Black Association for Speech, Language, and Hearing (NBASLH) in Chicago April 25. Nuru founded NBASLH in 1978 and has served on the board of directors and as executive director.

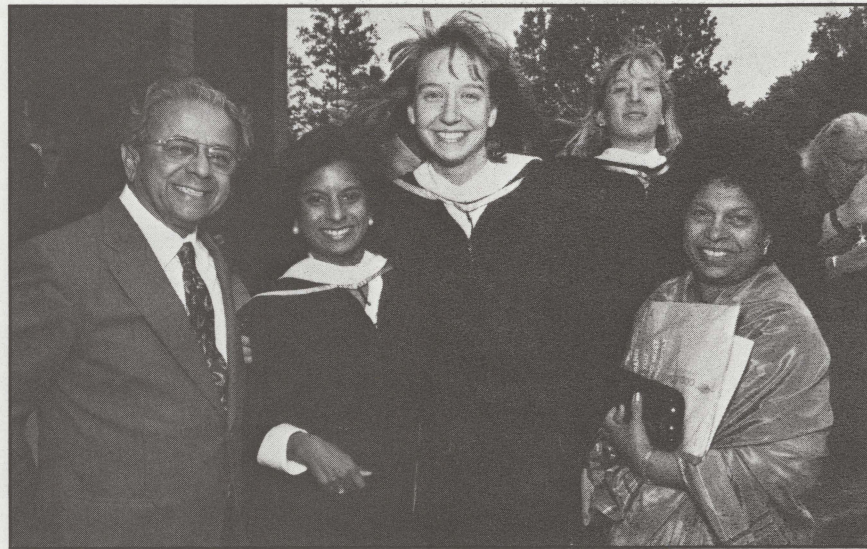
Dr. Donald Moores has been reappointed literary editor for the *American Annals of the Deaf*. Moores is director of the Center for Studies in Education and Human Development and a professor in the Department of Educational Foundations and Research at Gallaudet.

Cindy Compton, assistive devices coordinator in the Audiology Department, recently presented three workshops for the state of Alaska concerning assistive technology and how it relates to compliance with the Americans with Disabilities Act. Compton led a similar workshop for vocational rehabilitation counselors for the state of Alabama.

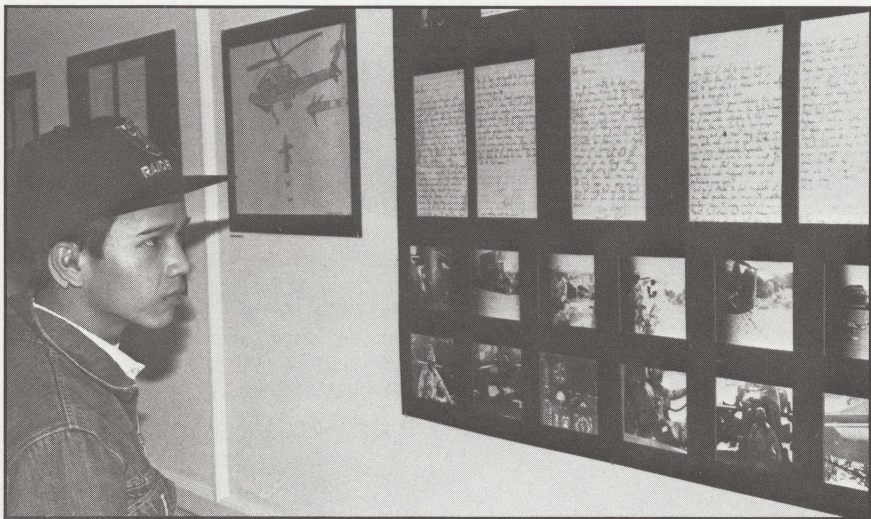
The Gallaudet International Student Club recently held a chocolate sale co-sponsored by Everyday Gourmet, a Takoma Park, Md., restaurant, and California chocolate manufacturer Joseph Schmidt. The effort netted \$255 for Gallaudet's International Deaf Education and Advancement Endowment Fund and \$200 for the International Student Club.



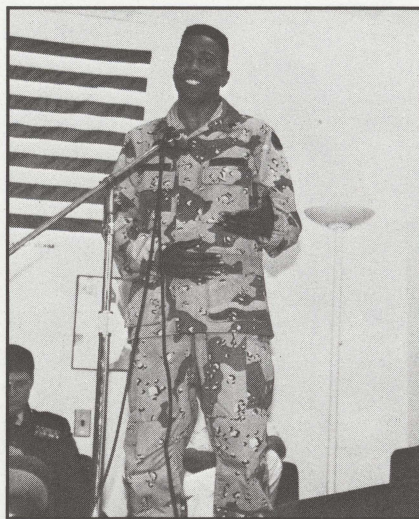
Retired Gallaudet professor Francis Higgins (center), was one of several donors recognized by Board of Trustees chair Philip Bravin (right) and President I. King Jordan at a plaque dedication ceremony in the Edward Miner Gallaudet building May 6.



A joyous graduate embraces a fellow graduate and her family after the University's Graduate Hooding and Awards Ceremony, where the accomplishments of 20 graduate students, faculty, and others from the deaf community were recognized.



A student views letters and pictures from the Persian Gulf War at the May 6 opening of the Kendall Demonstration Elementary School exhibit, "1991, The Year in Pictures... A Child's Perspective," on display until May 28 at the Kendall Gallery.



A veteran of Operation Desert Storm shares his experiences with the audience at the KDES exhibit opening.

Advantages exist for today's grads

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fact, with an advantage not available to most people on this earth today," said Bertaccini.

"The fact that you and I are in that position presents each of us [with] the incredible opportunity—the special responsibility—to make a difference in this great world of ours, to appreciate the fullness of what we have, and to live our lives in a way that will be good for us individually, for all those that we love, and, indeed, for every person our lives ever touch," he said.

While not everyone can have the impact of a Dr. Martin Luther King, Helen Keller, Dr. Jonas Salk, or Neil Armstrong, Bertaccini said, "making a difference doesn't have to be measured on a grand scale but is best measured on each individual human interaction we have during our lifetime."

Having strong personal values and committing oneself to three fundamental choices can enable a person to effect change and achieve a successful and meaningful life, said Bertaccini.

"The first choice is the choice to be honest—to act with absolute integrity in everything one does," Bertaccini said. "The second choice is simply the choice to do the very best in everything that we do. The third choice is simply to love your neighbor as you love yourself and to consistently treat others as you would like to be treated."

Board receives update on campus construction projects

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senting 53 percent of the year's fund raising goal of \$9.75 million.

The board learned from Charles Mann, director of Business Services, that the campus construction projects are proceeding on or ahead of schedule and are within the budgeted amounts.

Mann said that at Hall Memorial Building, the first phase of construction—the fourth floor addition and the new west wing—will be completed this summer; phase two, renovating the existing south wing, should

be finished by December, six months ahead of schedule; and the final phase, renovating the existing north wing, is expected to be finished next summer, one year ahead of schedule. Mann said that the total projected cost of the project is \$14.6 million, almost \$2 million less than the amount originally budgeted. Remaining funds will be used to purchase equipment and furnishings for HMB.

Renovation work at College Hall is 90 percent complete, said Mann. The project should be finished by the end of May, two months ahead of sched-

ule. The cost of the project is \$4.1 million—almost \$1 million less than the University budgeted.

Stone has been located for the replacement of the stone facade at Chapel Hall, said Mann. Work should begin there this summer.

Design work is expected to begin June 1 for the Conference Center for Training and Development, said Mann. Work should begin on the conference center next spring, and it is anticipated that the facility will open in the fall of 1994.

At Ely Center, work will take place over the summer months to paint and refurbish offices, said Mann.



Friends of Gallaudet mingle at a May 6 reception in their honor, held in the lyceum of newly renovated College Hall. The friends also toured the historic landmark.



Gail Moses (left), Dr. David Martin, dean of the School of Education and Human Services, and Elizabeth and Russell Speicher chat with President I. King Jordan at the Friends of Gallaudet dinner May 6.

Classified Ads

Classified ads are printed free for Gallaudet faculty and staff. Ads must be submitted in writing to *On the Green*, MSSD, Room G-37, or E-mail MGMOORE. Off-campus phone numbers must include an area code and whether the number is voice or TDD. Ads may be run two weeks if requested and if space permits. Ads received May 18-21 will be published June 1.

FOR SALE: Double-size platform bed, \$125; 2 night stands, \$60; glass top dinette set w/4 chairs, \$50; computer desk, \$50; 4 sets of shelves, \$40. Call x7038 or (202) 364-1164 (V/TDD), or E-mail VMESCH.

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FOR SALE: RV, Hidden Springs RV Park, near Rocky Gap State Park, 9 mi. east of Cumberland, Md. Fishing, swimming, hunting, boating, \$5,995. Call Cheri Marshall, x5424, or (304) 726-4852.

FOR RENT: Two rooms in Lanham, Md., \$375 and \$250, plus ½ util., must have own transportation. Call Babs, (301) 552-2687, or E-mail BLRIGGS.

FOR SALE: Pop-up camper—'89 Coleman Williamsburg, stove, sink, heat, shower, hot water heater, sleeps 6, used only 4 times. Call x5340 or E-mail CTOLIVER.

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FOR RENT: Private room, Lanham, Md., \$230/mo. inc. util., avail. July. E-mail 11SWEE.

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FOR SALE: Dorm size refrigerator, double capacity w/shelf, door rack, good cond., \$60 firm. Call Bruce, x4440 (V/TDD), or E-mail 11BMORTENSON.

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FOR SALE: Women's all leather hiking boots size 5½-6, exc. cond., \$40. Call Randy, x5671.

FOR SALE: 3-BR house in Cheverly, Md., finished basement, oak floors/cabinets, shutters/fans throughout, huge back yard, \$170,000. Call Angel (214) 324-7053 (TDD) days, or (214) 412-0511 (TDD) eves., or E-mail AMRAMOS.

FOR SALE: Traditional satin wedding dress, long sleeves, drop V waist, size 13/14, \$350/BO; wedding dress slip, \$10; parasol for wedding or shower, \$50; Futons w/cushions and covers, oak sofa/bed, \$300/BO; full size sofa/bed \$400/BO; 2 oak chairs/twin beds, \$250 each/BO. Call x3281, or (301) 662-9690 eves., or E-mail MCCARBO.

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Job Openings

Some of the advertised positions may already be filled. The list below includes only new staff and faculty openings and does not represent all jobs available. To get a recorded message describing the complete list, call x5358 or x5359 (TDD).

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